UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS CORPUS CHRISTI DIVISION

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER OF DETENTION PENDING TRIAL

A detention hearing has been held in accordance with the Bail Reform Act, 18

U.S.C. § 3142(f). The following requires detention of the defendant pending trial in this

- (1) There is a serious risk that the defendant will not appear for court as required; and
- (2) There is a serious risk that the defendant will endanger the safety of another person or the community.

The evidence against the defendant is substantial. The findings and conclusions contained in the Pretrial Services Report are adopted. The defendant was released from custody less than one year ago for committing an identical offense. During the commission of this offense the defendant used her daughter for cover. The offense itself suggests that she has significant contacts with Mexico, making her a flight risk. She has been unable to stay away from her criminal lifestyle, and her judgment appears to be impaired due to her willingness to involve her minor children in the commission of a crime. She is a poor bond risk.

The defendant is committed to the custody of the Attorney General or his designated representative for confinement in a corrections facility separate, to the extent

practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal. The defendant shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity for private consultation with defense counsel. On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility shall deliver the defendant to the United States marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a court proceeding.

ORDERED this 5th day of August, 2009.

B. JANIZE ELLINGTON

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE